

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Original) A polyester fabric having a total cover factor of not lower than 1500 and a mass per unit area of not higher than  $45 \text{ g/m}^2$ ,

wherein said polyester fabric is composed of polyester multifilament A yarns having a total fineness of not higher than 25 dtex (decitex) and a single yarn fineness of not higher than 2.0 dtex and multifilament B yarns having a total fineness of not lower than 35 dtex, yarns having a total fineness of not lower than 35 dtex,

wherein the arrangements of the respective yarns in the warp and weft directions are such that the yarn constitution ratio "B yarn/A yarn" is  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{20}$  (number of yarns-to-number of yarns ratio) and

wherein the A yarn-to-B yarn pitches are not longer than 7 mm.

2. (Original) The polyester fabric according to claim 1,  
wherein the B yarns are paralleled yarns.

3. (Currently Amended) The polyester fabric according to claim 1 ~~or~~ 2,  
wherein the polyester fabric is a calendered one and has a tear strength of not lower than 7 N in each of the warp and weft directions and an air permeability of not higher than  $1.2 \text{ cc/cm}^2/\text{sec}$ .

4. (Currently Amended) An umbrella cloth comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 1 ~~or~~ 2.

5. (Currently Amended) A downproof fabric comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 1 ~~or~~ 2.

6. (Currently Amended) A warmth retaining material which comprises a bag-like body made of a downproof fabric comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 1 ~~or~~ 2 and a warmth retaining mass packed in said bag-like body.

7. (New) The polyester fabric according to claim 2, wherein the polyester fabric is a calendered one and has a tear strength of not lower than 7 N in each of the warp and weft directions and an air permeability of not higher than  $1.2 \text{ cc/cm}^2/\text{sec}$ .
8. (New) An umbrella cloth comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 2.
9. (New) A downproof fabric comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 2.
10. (New) A warmth retaining material which comprises a bag-like body made of a downproof fabric comprising the polyester fabric according to claim 2 and a warmth retaining mass packed in said bag-like body.